Foreign Investment in Oil Sector

*623. SHRI R. SURENDER REDDY: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Union Government have taken any decision in regard to the foreign investment in oil sector;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the foreign companies which have come forward in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI B. SHANKARANAND): (a) to (c). While some foreign companies have shown interest in participating in oil sector project including refining, exploration, production etc. decisions on such requests are taken on a case to case basis.

Prime Minister's Visit to Mauritius

*624. SHRI V. SRINIVASA PRASAD:
SHRI M. V. CHANDRASEKHARA MURTHY:

Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Prime minister visited Mauritius recently;

(b) if so, the bilateral and multilateral matters that figured in his talks with Mauritan leaders; and

(c) the outcome thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI EDUARDO FALEIRO): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) PM had meetings with the President and Prime Minister of Mauritius, touching upon various aspects of our bilateral relations and matters of regional and international importance.

(c) The discussions resulted in a reaffirmation and consolidation of the very close bonds that exist between India and Mauritius.

Misuse of Funds by Voluntary Organisations

*625. SHRI N. K. SALIYAN:
SHRI BALRAJ PASSI:

Will the Minister of WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) the voluntary organisations against whom complaints of misuse of funds have been received by the Union Government during the last three years, State-wise; and

(b) the action taken by the Union Government in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF WELFARE (SHRI SITARAM KESRI): (a) and (b). A statement is attached.